

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

It is acknowledged with appreciation that claims 1, 5-7, 10 and 12 have been deemed allowable.

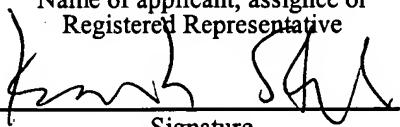
Claims 2 and 13-25 have been cancelled.

The application is believed to be in condition for allowance. Such action is earnestly solicited.

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